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**Title: Take action to lessen the chance that brook trout populations are not reduced by 44-94% in Wisconsin by mid-century.**

**The Problem:**

In Wisconsin cold water streams are predicted to become too warm for brook trout survival by mid-century. Other cold water fish and wildlife will also be affected. Brook trout reductions of 44% are predicted by the best case scenario climate change model developed by WICCI scientists for Wisconsin. The moderate scenario predicts a 94% reduction and the worst case scenario predicts a complete loss of brook trout.

Throughout the country, natural resource managers are taking necessary actions through planning and are informing citizens about steps that can be taken to reduce their contribution to climate change in an effort to minimize impacts to local fish and wildlife. At present, the Wisconsin DNR is not taking a lead in informing citizens about ways to cut back greenhouse gases and have not developed a plan to address climate change impacts on our natural resources.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Conservation Congress at its annual meeting held in Portage County on April 8, 2013 recommends that the Conservation Congress work with the Department to take action to correct this situation by introducing rule change that mandates the development and implementation of a plan to minimize brook trout reductions in the state and inform citizens about ways to reduce their contributions to climate change.

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